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Filed: March 23, 2001

For: SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND

SUBSTRATE PROCESSING METHOD

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2003, the time for response to which is extended three month by the accompanying petition to June . 30, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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